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For: CATALYST SYSTEM

Examiner: HARLAN, ROBERT

**REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 24, 2004, the applicants respectfully request a new office action. The applicants submitted a preliminary amendment on October 19, 2001 with the filing papers of the application (see enclosed copy). The preliminary amendment cancelled claims 1-4. The preliminary amendment redrafted the claims into proper U.S. form. The applicants believe that the preliminary amendment overcomes the rejections made in the Office Action mailed June 24, 2004.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 09086-00179-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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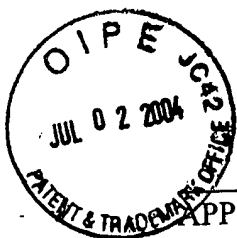
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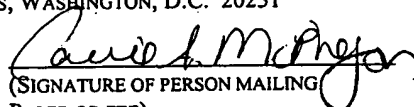
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to fee calculation and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**In the Specification**

Please delete the paragraph at page 1, lines 39-42 and insert the following:

- - US-A 5,384,299 describes zwitterionic catalyst systems prepared by protolysis from dialkyl-metallocene compounds and salts of the formula  $[R_3NH]^+$   $[B(C_6F_5)_4]^-$ . C-H Activation as subsequent reaction does not occur here. - -

See Appendix I for the changes. The term underlined was added to the specification and the term bracketed was canceled from the specification.

**In the Claims**